GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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YARN USED IN HANDLOOM
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a particular type of yarn is used in handloom industry which is being produced in the country itself;

(b) if so , the average annual requirement of such yarn for the handloom industry as per the assessment made by the Government, and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase the production of such yarn and to ensure easy availability of this yarn to the handloom industry?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES(SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a)& (b)The yarn packed in hank form is the main raw material used in the handloom industry, of which about 90% is estimated to be cotton yarn and remaining blended and non cotton yarn. 425 million kilograms of yarn packed in hank form was delivered in the domestic market in 2003-04.

(c)With the objective of providing the handloom weavers with adequate quantity of yarn in the hank form at reasonable prices and on an assured basis, Government of India has promulgated the Hank Yarn Packing Notification since 1974. The Hank Yarn Packing Notification 2003 prescribes that every producer of yarn who packs yarn for civil consumption shall pack yarn in hank form in each quarterly period commencing from April - June, 2000 and in every subsequent quarterly period, in proportion of not less than forty percent (40%) of total yarn packed by him for civil consumption, provided that in regard to yarn containing cotton including cotton waste to the extent of 90% or more by weight, not less than eighty percent of the yarn required to be packed in hank form shall be of counts 40s and below. The Government is also providing support through the Technology Upgradation Fund for the modernization of the various sectors of the textile industry including spinning.